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TO AMEMBASSY LONDON

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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - USER CHARGES

1. SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION IN LETTER DATED JULY 30 NOTIFIED SECRETARY OF STATE OF HIS DETERMINATION UNDER PL 93-623, INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORTATION FAIR COMPETITIVE PRACTICES ACT OF 1974, THAT CERTAIN CHARGES IMPOSED ON U.S. CARRIERS FOR USE OF BRITISH AIRPORTS ARE DISCRIMINATORY AND HE REQUESTED THAT STATE AND CAB UNDERTAKE NEGOTIATIONS TO SECURE ELIMINATION OF THESE DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES. THE LETTER FURTHER STATES: "SHOULD SUCH NEGOTIATIONS FAIL TO ELIMINATE SUCH PRACTICES, IT IS MY TENTATIVE CONCLUSION THAT COMPENSATORY CHARGES SHOULD BE IMPOSED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY ON BRITISH FLAG CARRIERS IN THE AMOUNT OF 886 DOLLARS FOR EACH U.S. FLAG B-747 AND DC-10

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AIRCRAFT AND 345 DOLLARS FOR EACH U.S. FLAG B-707

AND DC-8 AIRCRAFT LANDED AT HEATHROW AIRPORT SUBJECT TO THESE DISCRIMINATORY CHARGES, SUCH AMOUNT TO BE COLLECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT."

2. TWO BRITISH USER CHARGES ARE REFERRED TO IN THE LETTER. ONE RELATES TO HIGHER CHARGES FOR FLIGHTS HAVING NON-EUROPEAN ORIGIN OR DESTINATION AND TO THE PRACTICE OF CHARGING INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS MORE FOR THE SAME TERMINAL AIR NAVIGATION SERVICES THAN DOMESTIC FLIGHTS. THE OTHER RELATES TO THE LIMITATION ON "INTRA-EUROPEAN FLIGHTS QUALIFYING FOR LOWER LANDING FEES TO THOSE OPERATING TO AND FROM A EUROPEAN POINT AND WHICH DO NOT ARRIVE FROM OR DEPART TO AN INTERCONTINENTAL POINT WITHIN 24 HOURS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE TIME OF LANDING."

3. COPY OF LETTER POUCHED ATTENTION RCAA. COPY IS ALSO BEING DELIVERED BRITISH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON SO THAT IT IS NOT NECESSARY FOR EMBASSY TO PASS ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THIS MESSAGE TO HMG AT THIS TIME; SEPTTEL WILL INSTRUCT EMBASSY FURTHER. INGERSOLL

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